U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY POLLUTION REPORT

I. HEADING

Date:

December 15, 1997

Subject:

Bossert Manufacturing Site

Utica, Oneida County, New York

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START

POLREP NO. 10

II. BACKGROUND

Site No.:

S7

Delivery Order No.:

2101-02-010

Response Authority:

CERCLA

ERNS No.:

NPL Status:

N/A

CERCLIS No.:

NYD002249563

Action Memo Status:

Non-NPL

Start Date:

Approved on 9/26/97 9/30/97

Demobilization Date:

N/A

Completion Date:

N/A

III. SITE INFORMATION

A. <u>Incident Category</u>

CERCLA incident category: Inactive Production Facility

B. Site Description

The Bossert Manufacturing Site (site) is an abandoned production facility located at 1002 Oswego Street in the City of Utica, Oneida County, New York. The Bossert facility was used for the stamping, weldment, and fabrication of sheet metal items such as brake backing plates and steel floor grates from 1896 until the mid-1980's. During its operation, PCB oils were utilized in transformers and in hydraulic presses used in the manufacturing process. As a result of past manufacturing practices and salvage operations at the site, interior surfaces on floors and walls of the facility, as well as machinery and other structures within the building, became contaminated with PCBs.

CERCLA funds have been activated to abate the threat to public safety and the environment. Activity will include the off-site disposal of approximately 3,500 cubic yards of PCB contaminated debris, asbestos abatement, decontamination of mechanical and hydraulic presses, and the partial demolition/shoring of a building.

For a more detailed description, see Polrep No. 1 (Initial).

IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation

1. Removal Actions to Date

12/8/97 - 12/12/97. On December 8, four roll-off boxes of PCB contaminated debris totalling 100 cubic yards were transported off site and disposed of at a permitted landfill. To date, 25 roll-off boxes of with a combined volume of 665 cubic yards have been shipped off the site. On December 11, two truckloads of PCB contaminated kiln dust and carbon powder weighing approximately 52 tons was transported off site and disposed of at a permitted landfill. To date, eleven truckloads with a combined weight of approximately 255 tons have left the site.

On December 12, ERRS began to clear the floor area of Area 9 and 19 in preparation of upcoming asbestos abatement work.

START continued to conduct contractor monitoring, health and safety oversight, and documentation.

2. Enforcement

The PRP Search for the site has been initiated and enforcement efforts are continuing.

B. Planned Removal Actions

ERRS will continue transportation and disposal of PCB contaminated debris, kiln dust, and carbon powder during the week of December 15. Asbestos abatement activity will commence in January 1998.

C. Key Issues

N/A

V. COST INFORMATION AS OF DECEMBER 15, 1997 *

ERRS Contractor	\$ 2,085,849
START Contractor Costs	141,222
Intramural Costs	225,876
TOTAL	\$ 2,452,947
Project Ceiling	\$ 5,990,000
Percent of Project Funds Remaining	59.0%

* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

VI. DISPOSITION OF WASTES

Wastestream	Medium	Quantity	Containment- Migration Control	Treatment	Disposal
PCB (UN3077)	Contaminated debris	665 cubic yards	Consolidated & Covered	Landfilled	Chemical Waste Management Model City, NY
PCB (UN2315)	Kiln dust & spent carbon	~ 255 tons	Consolidated & Covered	Landfilled	Chemical Waste Management Model City, NY

VII. SALVAGEABLE MATERIAL

Material Quantity Funds Recovered					
Scrap Metal	52.25 tons	\$ 2,873.75			

^{*} This table will be updated as recovered funds are received from Universal Empire Salvaging Company.